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MASONS HAVE BANQUET BIG CROWD PRESENT

A social event of unusual charm was the banquet given by the members of Acacia Lodge, A. E. & A. M., of Roy, to their ladies and the members of the Eastern Star, last Thursday evening, following the regular lodge session.

The Masons met at the call of the master at 4 p. m. and conferred two second degrees and a third before the social session and transacted a lot of routine business in an effort to catch up with the growing demand for membership. There has never been a time since Acacia lodge was instituted that it has not been from 10 to 50 degrees behind the applications received, and the condition still continues and seems to be growing.

When the session closed, the members got busy placing tables all around the hall, and loading them with the things necessary for the feast. They chased out after the ladies and were a busy bunch generally for an hour, when all were seated, seventy in all, around the festive board, while a trained crew of caterers brought forth from the cuisine, oyster stews, fried oysters, oysters raw, salads, coffee, fruit, pickles, celery and the Lord knows what all else.

T. E. Mitchell, W. M. of the lodge, presided and after prayer by Rev. Terrill, acting Chaplain, the feast began, and it ended when none could find a way of coaxing their appetites to further excesses.

Following the feed, toasts and speeches were indulged in and much hilarity until low-twelve. Speeches by Rev. Terrill, Mrs. Strickland, Hon. Joe Beck, F. S. Brown and others were enjoyed and the real treat was a story of a personal experience by Mr. McGinnis with "Motherhood" as the keynote and the Masonry that it inspires between women of all races, as well as men, as the theme.

The credit for the success of the prandial features was accorded Messrs. Paxton and Strickland, who managed the banquet, and who modestly admit their efficiency.

Acacia Lodge has been one of the liveliest wires in Roy from its first inception and nothing could flaunt the devoted bunch of men who first formed a Masonic club, borrowed the money to get the preliminaries, secured a dispensation and finally a charter and who have worked in harmony in building up this lodge until it is now but a matter of arrangements when it will build a Lodge hall worthy of the enterprise of Roy and her citizens.

The institution of a Chapter of the Eastern Star, has long been the cherished ambition of a few devoted women, members of the order before coming here and others who realized the benefit of a chapter, auxiliary to the Blue Lodge. Recently it was accomplished and the ladies, as

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS

The Chamber of Commerce met in regular session Monday evening and transacted considerable business.

A large number of business men and residents of Roy and the country were present and all were in favor of getting busy and letting the outside world know that Roy had a wide awake live Chamber of Commerce and that they intended to do things that would put Roy and the whole Mesa on the map.

The new constitution and by-laws were read and with a few changes were adopted. The matter of securing state aid on the Roy-Wagon Mound road was brought up for discussion and the secretary was ordered to get in communication with the Wagon Mound Chamber of Commerce and see what could be done in the matter.

The Roy-Clayton road and the one to Tucumcari by the way of Logan was brought up also for consideration and was laid over until next meeting.

A number of other matters were brought up for discussion but left over for future consideration.

The membership fee was fixed at \$2 for those living in Roy and \$1 for those living outside of the corporate limits. Remember, we want everyone to become a member of this important organization, as they can do much good for the Mesa and the town. The dues will be only 50c per month and the money will be used for advertisement purposes and for securing needed improvements for the Mesa. If you have not yet joined the association, see that your name is given to the secretary or the membership committee at once.

ATTENTION TEACHERS

We would like to hear from every teacher on the Mesa giving us the number of pupils attending school. Any teacher of the Mesa giving us this information, we will immediately send them a bunch of hardwood rulers to be given to the pupils, free of cost. Let us know at once how many you will need, as we have just 2,000 to give away. Address the Spanish-American, Roy, N. M.

The New Mexico Agricultural College defeated the State University Thanksgiving in one of the hottest contested football games of the season. The score was 14 to 7 in favor of the New Mexico Agricultural college.

Assisted by the brethren, have Mizpah Chapter safely launched with 20 charter members and have initiated several others, under dispensation from the Grand Lodge. Their prospects are quite as bright as that of Acacia lodge and the two promise much benefit as well as enjoyment to the votaries.

FAIR MEETING

A number of business men and residents of the Mesa met at the Spanish-American office Saturday afternoon and proceeded to make arrangements for the establishing of a permanent fair organization at Roy.

A number of different plans were discussed and it was finally decided to incorporate a stock company and sell shares and put the fair on a business basis and not make it a charity organization, as it has been in the past.

The plan is to purchase about 40 acres of land in or adjoining the corporate limits and begin the erection of permanent buildings in the spring.

A committee of three was appointed consisting of W. H. McGarger, Henry Krabbenachmidt and Mr. Kronig, county agricultural agent, to investigate the proposition thoroughly and see what the cost would be and if it would receive the backing of the business men of the Mesa. The committee is to report at a future meeting which will be called within the next few weeks.

The late Wheat Belt Fair came up for some criticism by Mr. Kronig but the criticisms were made for the betterment of the organization as the officers were not to blame for the fair's failing, as they did all they could, but conditions and circumstances as well as the lateness in which the fair was started was probably the cause of the fair not being a much greater success than it was. A complete financial statement will be published in next week's paper of the Wheat Belt Fair.

A group of the Eastern Star ladies from Roy, recently upon invitation, attended a meeting of the order in Raton.

They drove up in the F. Brown car, all speak of the splendid hospitality shown them, and report a mighty fine time.

Those lucky enough to get to go, were Mrs. Fred Brown, Mrs. F. S. Strickland, Mrs. Kilmurray and Mrs. John Coffeen.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Roy and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Justice were attending to business matters in East Las Vegas last week.

J. F. SHAMBLIN, OF NEW MEX. BUYS VASQUEZ STOCK

J. F. Shambelin, who came here several weeks ago from Roy, N. M., looking for an opportunity to better himself, considers he did so last week when he was awarded the stock of the "La Mexicana Dry Goods store" which was put up to the highest bidder by the Los Angeles Board of Trade, to satisfy the creditors who were clamoring for the payment of their accounts against Manuel Vazquez who placed his stock in the hands of the board of trade, to satisfy his creditors.

Mr. Shambelin will replenish this stock and sell out at reasonable prices the stock that he has purchased, as he bought this stock at a greatly reduced figure. Many bargains will be gathered in by the ones who will be fortunate enough to get in on the ground floor and trade at this store.

As he is now figuring up what the goods really cost him, it is a safe bet that there will be some real honest-to-goodness bargains that may be had now. All the success in the world is wished for Mr. Shambelin in his venture in this city.—Yuma Leader.

Saturday was another one of those big, busy days for the Roy merchants. The town was filled with farmers who had come all the way from one to forty miles to trade with our advertising merchants. The streets were lined with autos all day and every store reports a big trade all day.

Rev. J. S. Russell of Dawson was visiting relatives and friends in and near Roy from Thanksgiving day until Monday. This was Mr. Russell's first visit to Roy for several months and his many friends were glad to see him.

HALTERMAN- ROBINS

Nova Halterman the only daughter of Mrs. V. P. Halterman of south of town and Harvey Robins of the Rock Springs neighborhood were united in marriage at Raton on Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

In some manner this news escaped our notice last week but will still be news to their many friends.

The happy couple came down on the pony Thursday and will make their new home in the Rock Springs District. The Spanish American extends congratulations.

S. J. Prust and wife of Pastura spent the Thanksgiving week with their son and daughter Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Paxton.

VICTOR CLASS ENTERTAINED

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Reeder entertained the Victor Sunday School Class at their home near the Christian Church last Thursday eve. Mr. Reeder is instructor in the class, which is one of the largest classes in the Union Sunday school.

The evening was spent in playing games, telling stories, and other forms of amusements. A dainty lunch was served by the host and hostess at a late hour and all went home glad that they had spent such a pleasant evening with their teacher.

I have a good Registered Short Horn Bull to trade for calves. F. S. Brown

Mrs. J. Gilstrap and children spent several days this week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Luok and family.

Mrs. B. P. Shaya who has been visiting relatives at East Vaughn the past week, returned home Wednesday.

The W. W. Day sale Wednesday was well attended and every thing sold well.

The writeup of the American Legion social given last night will appear in next weeks paper.

A fire last Sunday night destroyed a drug store, a general store and a rooming house, in Maxwell. The cause of the fire was supposed to be an overheated furnace.

D. W. West of Dodge City Kansas came in on the Polly last Wednesday to look after business matters. We would not be surprised to see D. W. and family move back to Roy in the near future.

OUR NEW SERIAL STORY

Commencing with this issue the S. A. will run a serial story each week. The story starting this week is "The Homesteader" and is an up-to-date story. We have made this change in the S. A. to meet the demands of the public as we have received a number of letters asking that we publish good serial stories.

The Spanish-American acknowledges receipt of a card from the Sargento at South Tacoma, Wash., also a copy of the News-Tribune of South Tacoma in which it states that the Griner sisters have moved to San Diego for the winter and that F. A. Sargento has been away on a business trip for several weeks.

Doc McCargo has sold the Roy Tailor and Cleaning Shop to Boyd Leatherman, who will continue at the old stand. Boyd has learned under Doc and ought to make good in the work.

BRANNAN- FLAVELL

Mrs. Sada Brannan, Roy's popular primary teacher and Mr. E. A. Flavell of Denver Colorado were married in Tucumcari last Wednesday by Rev. McClurn. The following day they came to Mosquero and ate their Thanksgiving dinner with Mrs. Flavell's mother Mrs. Brown who is principal of the Mosquero school.

Mrs. Flavell was formerly a resident of Clayton and came to Roy last September taking charge of the primary room in the Roy school and is making quite a success with her work.

Mr. Flavell is a travelling man from Denver and is salesman for the Jones Wholesale house of that place.

Mrs. Flavell will finish her work in the Roy School and they will make their home here for the present but after the close of school will move to Denver which will be their future home.

Prof. Trumbull, agricultural agent of the El Paso & Southwestern, is in Roy this week gathering data regarding the amount of wheat sown this fall. He is travelling over the whole Mesa and reports that a great amount of wheat has been sown and in fact, more than has been sown any previous year.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Dickerson, November 24, a fine baby girl at the Self Sanatorium. Mrs. Dickerson was formerly Miss Frances Morrison, who made her home in the early days with Rev. Ament and is well known by those who were school kids when O. H. Kerns wielded the rod in Roy.

The fourteen-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Woodward has been very sick at the Plumlee Hospital with pneumonia, but has recovered enough to be taken home on Tuesday of this week.

Dr. Caras Plumlee, who has been in Denver on business for some weeks, returned to the city Wednesday.

Karl Guthman and family left for Long Beach, Cal., Sunday, where they will visit relatives during the winter. Karl says he will be back by early spring and probably become a farmer on the Mesa.

Rev. Fathers A. E. Conturier and I. Chaput of Dawson and Father J. B. Lavoie of Springer were visitors at Father Vachon's home. They were agreeably surprised to see the great number of pupils which is now over one hundred.

John Felton, the Mills real estate dealer, was in Roy Saturday. John reports everything quiet in Mills.

WORK OF ASSESSMENT VALUES ON VILLAGE OF ROY COMPLETED

Mr. J. M. McMath of the State Tax Commission and E. J. H. Roy and Wm. G. Johnson, who were appointed by Mayor Fred Brown to assist in the work of placing equal assessment values on the lots and improvements of the Village of Roy have completed their work and are now finishing the report. The report will be made in book form with plat of the town and a separate plat of each block with the owner's name and the value of each lot and improvements registered in the book. The Village will also keep a duplicate report book in which all future transfers will be recorded. This is an excellent plan, as it insures an equal and even assessment to every property owner, and we heartily endorse Messrs. Roy, Johnson, McMath for their impartial and fair valuation of everyone's property.

This is the first time in the history of the town that any State Tax Commission has carefully inspected and evenly valued the entire Village, and we would appreciate this work so ably done by Mr. McMath and assistants.

While it is true that it will raise the taxation on some property, it will decrease on others, but will cause each one to pay a fair and just taxation in comparison with his neighbor.

DAWSON MAN ARRESTED

Joe Espinosa, a young man of about 18 or 19 years, was arrested last Monday by Deputy Sheriff Schultz on complaint of Antonio R. Lucero. Young Espinosa had threatened the life of Lucero's daughter, Ofelia Andrade in letters written to her through the mails and had made several remarks that were of a threatening nature. After a trial lasting half an hour or so and in which evidence was submitted proving the above facts the court ordered Espinosa placed under a peace bond of \$200 and being unable to give the bond he was placed in the Village jail, but was later released under promise that he and his partner would leave town at once and not molest the girl or her father again either by letter or otherwise.

Lee Snyder, who has been one of the popular conductors of the Pollys for the past several years, has been transferred to the main line as conductor on one of the fast train runs. Lee, as he is known by practically every one in Roy, will be missed here as well as by the patrons of the Pollys, for there was never a more obliging conductor on the Dawson line than Mr. Snyder. Mr. Opholter, who has been conductor on one of the through freights, has been given the conductorship on the Pollys.

Mrs. James Christman and children left for Goodrich, N. D., the first of the week, where they will visit during the winter while Jim is looking after his oil well down at Sipe Springs, Tex.

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